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From: Gravatt, Dan

Sent: Wed 3/26/2014 7:56:53 PM

Subject: West Lake FOIA Request Tracking Number Change for Request EPA-HQ-2014-004887 (to

EPA-R7-2014-004887)

Emily,

Whether or not HQ "should" have transferred it to R7 is a good question that I can't answer. Either way, I don't think Ed gets to decide. Having said that, I know that this information has been FOIA'd before, and Audrey Asher put together an index and a heavily redacted set of responsive documents. Most of the documents were determined to be "deliberative" and thus not releasable. If memory serves, this FOIA response package has been used at least twice, and one of those requestors was Ed – probably why he wanted HQ to respond this time.

Dave Hoefer and Erin Weekley in CNSL should decide if Audrey's previously prepared document set and index can be reused, or if we need to do something different this time (like having HQ respond).

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Principles and integrity are expensive, but they are among the very few things worth having.

From: Albano, Emily

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2014 7:18 AM

To: Gravatt, Dan

Subject: FW: FOIA Request Tracking Number Change for Request EPA-HQ-2014-004887 (to EPA-R7-

2014-004887)

Dan -

Ed Smith sent this request to HQ and they transferred it to us. Should they be handling it instead? **Emily Albano** Office of Public Affairs EPA Region 7 913-551-7860 albano.emily@epa.gov From: esmith@moenviron.org [mailto:esmith@moenviron.org] Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 2:30 PM To: Albano, Emily Subject: RE: FOIA Request Tracking Number Change for Request EPA-HQ-2014-004887 (to EPA-R7-2014-004887) Emily, Is the National Remedy Review Board not part of the EPA HQ? Thanks, Ed Ed Smith Safe Energy Director Missouri Coalition for the Environment (314) 705-4975 www.moenviron.org @MoEnviron

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Subject: FOIA Request Tracking Number Change for Request

EPA-HQ-2014-004887 (to EPA-R7-2014-004887)

From: "albano.emily@epa.gov" <albano.emily@epa.gov>

Date: Tue, March 25, 2014 1:55 pm

To: "esmith@moenviron.org" <esmith@moenviron.org>

The FOIA request EPA-HQ-2014-004887 has had its Tracking Number changed to EPA-R7-2014-004887. This is normally due to the request being transferred to another agency (for example, EPA to Dept. of Commerce) or to a sub-agency to process it. Additional details for this request are as follows:

Original Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2014-004887
New Tracking Number: EPA-R7-2014-004887

Requester Name: Edward Smith
 Date Submitted: 03/24/2014

Long Description: The Missouri Coalition for the Environment would like all correspondence and records between EPA Region 7 and the National Remedy Review Board as it relates to the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site in St. Louis County, Missouri. The Wall Street Journal revealed in a March 9, 2014 article that EPA Region 7 received a "confidential" review from the NRRB, allowing secrecy which has reportedly never happened before during a Superfund review.

WSJ article:

http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702304732804579421231225277814

Headline: EPA Said to Seek Softer Review of Dump